Optional Coverages

2007 - 2008 Plan Year

The following monthly premiums are effective October 1, 2007 - September 30, 2008. **These premium rates do not include the \$22.00 monthly tobacco surcharge.**

Optional Coverage: Active and Retired Members		
Cancer	\$38/month	Individual or Family Coverage
Indemnity	\$38/month	Individual or Family Coverage
Dental	\$38/month	Individual or Family Coverage
Vision	\$38/month	Individual or Family Coverage

Medicare rules require a Medicare-eligible, active PEEHIP member who is covered on their spouse's PEEHIP **retired** contract to have Medicare as the primary payer on the active PEEHIP member. Therefore, the active, Medicare-eligible member will need Medicare Part A and Part B coverage.

If the active member does not want Medicare as his or her primary payer and does not want to enroll in Medicare Part B until retirement, he or she will have to enroll in a PEEHIP active contract and will not be able to combine allocations with the retired PEEHIP-eligible spouse. Most of the time, in this situation, active members must wait and enroll in their own PEEHIP medical policy during the Open Enrollment period or on their spouse's date of retirement. When the active Medicare-eligible member retires, he or she will need to enroll in Medicare Part B. The effective date of Medicare Part B needs to be the date of retirement to avoid a lapse in coverage.

Note: If a member or dependent is under age 65 and eligible for Medicare coverage due to a disability, PEEHIP <u>must receive</u> a copy of the Medicare card before the premiums can be reduced. However, PEEHIP will pay secondary to Medicare once our office becomes aware of your Medicare eligibility regardless of whether our office has received your Medicare card. Medicare-eligible members and dependents should have Medicare Part A <u>and</u> Part B to have adequate coverage with PEEHIP.